

Grapevine

A decorative vine with green leaves and clusters of red, white, and blue grapes runs vertically down the left side of the page.

You are cordially invited ...

*Veterans Home Staff and Home Members
are invited to attend the
Dedication Ceremony for the Memory Care Center at
F.D. Roosevelt Annex on Wednesday, July 11 at 10 am.
Entertainment by the Marine Corps Band at Twenty
Nine Palms and Barbecue sponsored by the Marine
Memorial Club will follow the Dedication Ceremony.*

From the Administrator's Desk ...

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This time of year, with the new fiscal year beginning, is a time of great activity in Administration. I want to bring you up to date with highlights of progress in several areas.

Member Services Center:

With plans on the way to the federal government (which will supply 2/3 of the funding), this project is right on the schedule previously outlined for you. Those plans are on view in the library, and I believe you will be pleased with them. Only the library (which will incorporate the video library and a media center) and the pool table - table tennis area require some final tweaking. Other changes are finalized:

1. Most essential, air conditioning, lighting improvement and decent bathrooms.
2. A second elevator will be added by the library.
3. An integrated Food Services Center will be incorporated.
4. The bowling alley, Grant Hall, the barbershop and the exchange will be in the present locations.

Now comes the downside. Because of the hazards imposed by the installation of conduits and an upgraded electrical system, none of the building will be available to us for about two years. The building will be fenced and the project will be done as a whole.

Madison Hall and The Pathway Home:

Dr. Loftus' arrival last year was timely since he has been a driving force behind achieving this goal which has special significance to many of us.

New hire Fred Gysman from Palo Alto has thirty years experience in devising Post Traumatic Stress treatment and anticipates setting up a program from scratch the way it has been envisioned. We will start small with the admission of thirteen residents. This is a significant number. When the Veterans Home at Yountville opened in 1884, it began with ... yes, thirteen residents. Notice the Iraq and Afghanistan veterans will be admitted as regular members.

Let me congratulate all of you who brought this about. You may not know you did. The anonymous donor of the \$5.6 million to cover the first three years expenses was here several months ago and strolled about talking to residents s/he met. The donor decided then that this was a project to support -- veterans helping veterans. Let's all get to it.



Report from the Secretary

June 29, 2007

I wanted to take a few minutes before the beginning of our new fiscal year and before the 4th of July holiday to say thank you to all of the CDVA staff for the hard work, dedication and commitment to giving great care and service to our veterans and families.

Even as the fiscal year ends we have Debbie Wilcox and Cindy Ference from our Farm and Home Division up in Tahoe to assist those 18 Cal Vet Loan Home Owners with any service they may need because of the Angora Wild Fire. Throughout this last budget year we have had people in the Homes, in Vet. Services and in Cal Vet performing great work for veterans across this state and I have been able to visit every one of our offices and homes to see them in action. I am very proud of what you all are accomplishing. And, it looks like we'll end the year in good shape thanks to the team in budgeting and accounting, both in HQ and at the Homes.

Some highlights of the last 12 months include:

- Ground breaking for two new homes; and another one coming up on July 6th
- Our best showing in 10 years regarding the support from Congress for our Cal Vet Loan bill. (48 co-sponsors out of the 52 California Representatives in Congress)
- Great job fairs in conjunction with EDD. (6 down and 4 to go)
- CDVA will exceed our 3% goal for DVBE participation! Hooah!
- Great support from the Governor at all our Veteran events.
- Ready to open our Memory Care Unit at Yountville
- Receiving a grant for the Pathway Home program and creating a new service for younger veterans and families.
- Completing major research efforts such as our statewide survey of veterans, and our report on strategies to improve utilization of veteran benefits.
- Launching our expanded veteran outreach program
- Successful fund raising activities at the Homes and for our Vet Fund
- Re-location of our San Diego Cal Vet office
- Great relationships with our VA, CVSO, VSO and State partners

All this and more, in each Division, could not have happened without great Accounting, Human Resource, Information System, Budgeting, Legal and Business Service/Contracting support at headquarters. As the budget gets passed, sometime next month, we'll be able to set our sights on some great opportunities for next year; opportunities for improvement, change and growth.

I also want to say a special thanks to those of you who have worked in Homes or Units where staffing has been a challenge. In the budget office, in the Oakland Vet Services Regional Office, in the Homes or in other divisions where replacements have not come quickly or recruitment has been difficult. I appreciate the overtime and

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INDEPENDENCE DAY

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA



On the 231st anniversary of the adoption of the Declaration of Independence, we celebrate our nation's birth – a monumental event that changed the course of history. When the Founding Fathers affixed their names to the now sacred document, few of them could have ever imagined the extraordinary democracy we have today.

Over the course of more than two centuries, the United States of America has experienced exponential growth, weathered innumerable challenges and celebrated glorious triumphs. Through it all, the words that officially set the thirteen colonies free have endured, beckoning generation after generation to re-examine and affirm the phrase that “all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights...”

Ever mindful of the liberties we hold dear, I encourage all Californians to celebrate our nation's independence with appropriate activities and observances on July 4th. As we participate in parades, watch fireworks or take pleasure in other fun activities, let us always remember the freedoms we enjoy.

Most importantly, may we always be thankful for those who have served in the armed forces and those who have called our nation to live up to its highest ideals. The veterans, service members and all other patriots who preserve our liberty deserve our utmost appreciation. It is because of their courage and patriotism that we are able to live freely in the fantastic country we call America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim July 4, 2007, as “Independence Day” in California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 27th day of June 2007.



Arnold Schwarzenegger
GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

Attest:

Debra Bowen
SECRETARY OF STATE

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extra effort everyone has made to cover the gaps and provide the care and service people have come to expect from us. It is deeply appreciated by not only the leadership of CDVA but most importantly by the veterans.

Again, thanks for the great work you do in serving California's veterans and their families and have a safe and enjoyable 4th of July.

Tom Johnson, Secretary, CDVA

Rita Umphries receives Honors

At the June 25th meeting of the Napa County Commission on Aging, Home Member Rita Umphries received certificates of recognition for her distinguished service as Committee Chair. Rita served from July 2006 through July 2007 as the Chairperson of the Napa County Commission on Aging which reports to the Napa Board of Supervisors. The Commission works closely with the Napa and Solano Board of Director of the Area Agency for Aging.

The Napa County Commission on Aging consists of 15 members, each representing different groups concerned with the elderly, such as AAA, Home support groups, volunteers, etc. Some of Rita's important contributions include making bus transportation more accessible and available, supporting or convincing the legislature to maintain funds that support elderly programs. One of her most important projects is the mandatory fingerprinting and background checks of caretakers who help the elderly – an important safety factor for the elderly.

Also attending the Commission meeting were Bart Buechner, representing the Veterans Home Administrative Staff; Dr. Richard Lundin, representing the State of California Commission on Aging; Brad Wagenknecht, Napa County Supervisor; and Edith Malan, Joe Del Rosario, and David Salopek, representing the Veterans Home Allied Council.

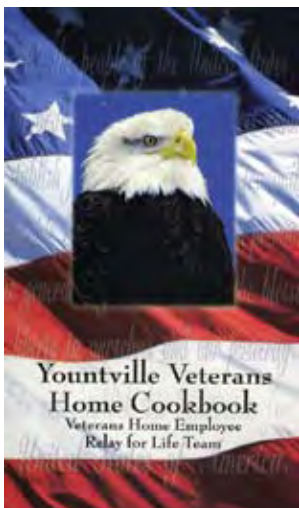


Rita Umphries with Allied Council Chair, David Salopek, and Chair of the Solano Board of Directors of the Area Agency for Aging, Dr. Ken Lee.

**I scream ... you scream ...
We all scream for ice cream ...**

And a cure for cancer. Ben & Jerry's will be here on Tuesday, July 10th from 11 am to 1 pm in front of Holderman Hospital. Don't miss any of the 10 yummy flavors of ice cream, yogurt and sorbet!

The Employee Relay For Life Team is sponsoring this event and 25% of the proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.



Also, if you missed that fantastic Yountville Veterans Home Cookbook you can purchase one for \$10 at the Team's booth on July 4th or stop by the Prosthetics Department to purchase one.

July 6, 2007



Golf can be Good for Dogs Too

An open letter to respond to "Paws With Brandy" in TheGrapevine's June 22, issue

By Bruce Holman

Brandy, my dear, have you forgotten the thrill of chasing a ball across a green carpet of grass and breathing the pristine air of an open space surrounded by beautiful trees-- and we all know how dogs love trees!

Well golf can give you that same sense of outdoor enjoyment, provided you abandon the misconceptions you have about the game: Golfers don't actually "shoot" anything. "Shooting a game of golf" is just an expression like "taking a fling." I've never taken anything but advice and I never owned a "fling." Likewise, golf balls are "hit" with a club. Accordingly, they are hard and inedible. Nobody eats golf balls. Even in the pond, where the hit-ball sometimes ends with a splash, fish ignore them.



Bruce Holman of the Veteran Home Golfers.



Golf club and golf ball

However, your bringing up the subject of golf gives us a great opportunity to tell others of our "club." The Veterans Home Golfers (VHG) encourages the healthy activity of a sport that, it has been said, is a game even harder than baseball, because one has to play their "foul" balls -- and, no, this "foul" has nothing to do with birds (fowl). Stepping on the course and playing without some knowledge about the game could be dangerous and secondly cause displeasure. Golf is an honorable game that respects the right of others. What a wonderful thing to encourage to make this a better world: to spend a morning or afternoon being on a manicured piece of land like a golf course. The beginner as well as the most accomplished player learns respect for each other -- and that's not a bad idea to have in life Skill is secondary to etiquette and consideration.

The VHG members, sponsored by the Activity Center encourages physical and mental activity, and those able, are welcomed and encouraged to come out and enjoy the game of golf regardless of current ability.

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Brandy, these are NOT foul balls ... they are fowl called Canada Goose, geese who live on our golf course.





above: This is called a “difficult lie” ... and that’s the truth!

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Yes, Brandy, dogs too can find great exhilaration in the game by joining their human friends, breathing the open air amidst comfortable scenery, chasing a ball (and occasionally a squirrel) and finding new canine friends among the trees. So why not pass the bark-of-mouth on the virtues of golf? What you’ll soon learn is that every golfer occasionally thinks his game has already gone to the dogs.



above: A good “golf pointing” dog is an asset to the golfer.

left: “Forget the ball! I see a squirrel!”



Ahhh. Nothing like a cool sprinkler after a hot day of golf ... an unexpected side benefit!

❀ Paws with Brandy ❀

Bowling for Dollars

Do you remember “Babe” Didrikson Zaharias? An Associated Press poll selected her as the outstanding athlete of the 20th century, but she’s hardly mentioned today. Well, she’s my new hero; she could do anything. Beginning in basketball, she won five gold medals in track and field in the Olympics, setting four world records in a single afternoon. She then went on to her greatest success as a golfer, and she was co-founder of the Ladies Professional Golf Association.

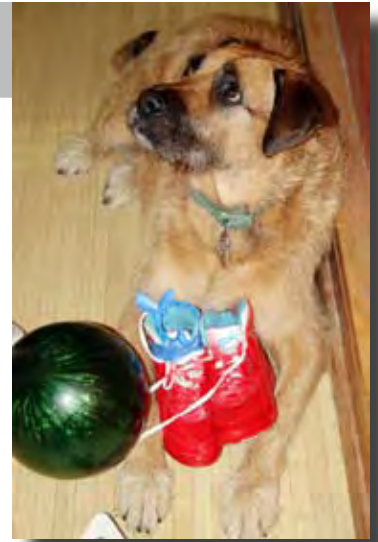
Well, now that I understand golf a little better, it’s time I launched my athletic career. I decided to start with bowling since the “Red Pin” bowling tournament was coming up. If you rolled a strike when the red pin was in front, Bernard Madkins gave you a BX gift card. I figured I could use that to buy golf balls for my next venture; I got red bowling shoes and got to work.

The competition was stiff. Bob Fox won the wheelchair bowling and was modest compared with Winn Lamb crowing, “I came in third!!” (There were three finalists.) I lay down beside them, hoping to enter, but was denied because I have four legs. Prejudice is everywhere. I cozied up to Don Pecsénye who runs the bowling alley, figuring he could get me into the game.

There were several ladies entered -- Dottie Ward, Barbara Viverette and Ruby Brand. I figured this gave me an in, so I watched them closely. They were all very stylish bowlers, and this is important. No matter what you do, darlings, make sure you look good doing it. Ruby won a gift card almost immediately. Bernard was keeping score, and I kept a close eye on him. Bob Fisher (Mens Bowling) and Ruby (Womens Bowling) pulled it out for the big wins.

That’s when I began thinking of Babe Zaharias. She and Jim Thorpe may have been the best athletes of all time, since they both could take up a new sport and conquer it almost immediately. I hope I’m a natural, too, and I’m going into training. ❀

“Since I’m a beginning bowler Don Pecsénye checked my release form and gave me some pointers.”



Brandy, always the fashion conscious lady, waits for her turn to bowl while showing off her new Patriotic red, white and blue bowling shoes, shiny green ball and matching necklace.





"Bernard Madkins, keeper of scores and BX cards. Need to befriend him!"



above: Bob Fisher, Barbara Viverette, Ruby Brand and I anxiously wait our turns.



above: Ruby Brand celebrates the winning strike.



left: Dottie Ward shows great form as she releases that ball.



right: Bob Fox waits to see if the red pin falls. Must have! He won first place in the Wheelchair Bowlers.

NAPA VALLEY MUSEUM PROGRAMS

July Programs

 Ana Corbero
 Donna Long
 Seiko Tachibana
**PERSPECTIVES FROM
THREE CONTINENTS**

Saturday
July 14

2 to 4 pm

Perspectives from Three Continents Gallery Talk with Artists Ana Corbero, Donna Long and Seiko Tachibana Join exhibiting artists to learn more about some of the thematic aspects of their work. Corbero will speak about her installation *Us & Them/ Universal Totems*. Long will describe the influences behind the equine nature of her work while Tachibana will speak about the processes both technical and spiritual explored in the printmaking techniques she employs in her non-representational work. Free with admission. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations

Thursday
July 19

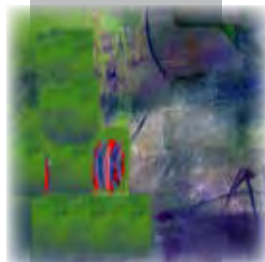
9 am to 4 pm



Passport to the Arts Trip to SFMOMA – Matisse: Painter as Sculptor Known primarily for his beautiful paintings, drawings, and works on paper, Matisse was also an accomplished sculptor whose radical style left lasting marks on modern art history. This first major U.S. examination of Matisse's sculpture in nearly 40 years assembles more than 150 works in a variety of media to illustrate his inventiveness, dexterity, and historical significance. \$30 SFMOMA members, \$40 NVM members, \$50 non-members. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations and payment

Saturday
July 21

10 am to 12 pm
For ages 9 and up



Monotype Print Workshop with Diane Brinker, Local Artist Participate in a hands-on project and go home with a one-of-kind artwork! Ignite your creativity while learning about Monotype painting and printing. Borrowing from nature, each participant will use actual specimens for use in an original Monotype painting and print. We'll use biodegradable supplies to create our own Masterpieces, with some very surprising results! \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations and payment

August Programs

Saturday
August 4

9:00 to 10:30 pm



Star-gazing in the NVM Meadow with Stuart Alexander, Retired State Park Ranger Ever wondered about the constellations in our Napa Valley nighttime sky? Join former park ranger Stuart Alexander for a stellar evening at the Napa Valley Museum! After a short presentation about summer constellations and night time star gazing, we'll head outside and identify constellations such as Cassiopeia and Subaru. Families are welcome. Please remember to bring a blanket. Free. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations



FESTIVAL DEL SOLE AT THE LINCOLN THEATER



- Fri, Jul 13** 6 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring Frederica Von Stade, Sir James and Lady Jeanne Galway, Russian National Orchestra, Stéphane Denève.
- Sat, Jul 14** 6 pm Festival del Sole, Castello di Amorosa: Featuring Danielle de Niese, David Daniels, Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra, Nicholas McGegan
- Sun, Jul 15** 2 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring: Anton Nel, University of Texas at Austin Wind Ensemble, Jerry F. Junkin
- Mon, Jul 16** 6 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring: Fabio Bidini, Russian National Orchestra, Carlo Ponti, Jr.
- Tue, Jul 17** 6 pm Festival del Sole, Castello di Amorosa: Featuring: Sir James and Lady Jeanne Galway, Nina Kotova, Fabio Bidini, Lisa Delan
- Wed, Jul 18** 6 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring: Joshua Bell, Nina Kotova, Russian National Orchestra
- Fri, Jul 20** 6 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring: Jean-Yves Thibaudet, Dmitry Sitkovetsky, Russian National Orchestra, Stéphane Denève
- Sun, Jul 22** 6 pm Festival del Sole: Featuring: Nikolaj Znaider, Piotr Anderszewski, Russian National Orchestra, Antonio Pappano

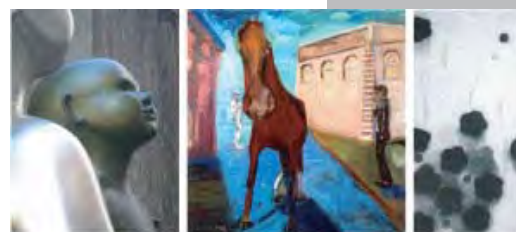


PERSPECTIVES FROM THREE CONTINENTS AT THE NAPA VALLEY MUSEUM

Perspectives from Three Continents, the works of artists Ana Corbero, Donna Long and Seiko Tachibana, is on view July 13 - August 12 at the Napa Valley Museum in Conjunction with the Festival del Sole. Three artists, working from three distinct perspectives, share their visions of the human condition

The *Opening Reception* is Friday, July 13, from 4:00 to 5:30 pm

The *Gallery Talk with the Artists* is Saturday, July 14, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.



† Ana Corbero † Donna Long † Seiko Tachibana
PERSPECTIVES FROM THREE CONTINENTS

sign up
early



Residential Care Special Events

*Sign up 2 weeks before event! Activities can fill quickly.
All activities are subject to change due to bus and driver availability.*

July 2007

Date	Time	Event	Bus	Site	Signup
7 Sat	10:00 am	Costco Shopping: Vallejo	MBS		Yes
10 Tue	9:00 am	Allied Council (temporary change)		GH	
11 Wed	10:00 am	Memory Care Center Dedication		XI	
	12:30 pm	LeMelange Academy	MDR		Yes
12 Thu	10:00 am	Remembrance Service		Chp	
13 Fri	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
14 Sat	10:00 am	Giants vs. Dodgers	MBS		Yes
	11:30 am	Residential Care Picnic		MPG	
	2:00 pm	Poets & Writers		LL	
15 Sun	2:00 pm	U of Texas Wind Ensemble		LT	Yes
	4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Portland	MBS		Yes
16 Mon	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
18 Wed	10:00 am	Oakland vs. Texas	MBS		Yes
	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
20 Fri	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
21 Sat	10:00 am	Sonoma Co. Fair Horseracing	MDR		Yes
22 Sun	10:00 am	Oakland A's vs. Baltimore	MBS		Yes
	11:00 am	VFW Picnic		MPG	
	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
23 Mon	4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Salt Lake City	MBS		Yes
25 Wed	10:00 am	Sonoma County Fair	MBS		Yes
	12:30 pm	LeMelange Academy	MDR		Yes
28 Sat	10:00 am	Fairfield Shopping	MBS		Yes
31 Tue	8:30 am	Blood Drive		GH	
	1:30 pm	Talent Show		LT	

Key – 1C/1D: Hospital 1C/1D patio; **Bor:** Borman Field; **Chp:** Chapel; **GH:** Grant Hall; **GR:** Games Room; **HL:** Hospital Lobby; **HRA:** Hospital Recreation Area; **Lib:** Lincoln Library; **LL:** Lee Lounge; **LT:** Lincoln Theater; **MBS:** Main Bus Stop; **MDR:** Main Dining Room; **MPG:** Main Picnic Grounds; **SF:** San Francisco; **Tav:** Tavern; **VHC:** Veterans Home Cemetery; **VGC:** Vintners Golf Course; **VHL:** Veterans Home Lanes; **XI:** Annex I; **XII:** Annex II; **Ynt:** Yountville; **YVP:** Yountville Veterans Park.

Thanks from the Video Library

P. Maier from Section C donated 5 tapes and Everett Kimmel from McKinley donated 50 DVDs to our video library. Thank you very much!

Bernard's Sports

On June 28th a Pinochle Tournament was held in Lee Lounge. Third place went to John Bolner and Marty Diamond. Second place went to Ray Poznick and Bernard Madkins. The first place winners were Dale Oleson and Joe Maynard.

In the Red Pin Bowling Tournament held on June 18th at the Veterans Home Lanes the following bowlers prevailed.

Wheelchair Bowling: Bob Fox
Womens Bowling: Ruby Brand
Mens Bowling: Bob Fisher

July Sports Events

11	Wed	1:00 pm	Dominos Tournament	Games Room
14	Sat	10:00 am	S.F. Giants vs. L.A. Dodgers	load at MBS
15	Sun	4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Portland Beavers	load at MBS
18	Wed	10:00 am	Oakland A's vs. Texas Rangers	load at MBS
19	Thu	6:00 pm	Pinochle Tournament	Lee Lounge
21	Sat	10:00 am	Sonoma Fair Horse Racing	load at MBS
22	Sun	10:00 am	Oakland A's vs. Baltimore Orioles	load at MBS
23	Mon	4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Salt Lake Bees	load at MBS

The Best Picnic of the Year

Residential Care Service is throwing their Annual Picnic on Saturday, July 14, 2007. Delicious barbecued New York steaks, hamburgers and hot dogs and more will be served at the Main Picnic Grounds from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The "Dry Creek Band" will be there to provide fun, toe-tappin', country music from the 11:30 am through 2:30 pm.

Section Members sign up in your section for your free ticket and bring it with you to the picnic. Guest tickets may also be purchased from Section Leaders for \$10.00.

We look forward to seeing you at the *Best Picnic of the Year!*



Baseball at Borman Field

Date	Game Time	Host		
		Organization	Home Team	Visiting Team
Wednesday, July 04	10:00 am	Joe DiMaggio - 4th of july tournament		
	01:00 pm	Joe DiMaggio - 4th of july tournament		
	03:45 pm	Joe DiMaggio - 4th of july tournament		
Saturday, July 07	11:00 am	Joe DiMaggio		
	01:45 pm			
	04:30 pm			
Sunday, July 08	11:00 am	Joe DiMaggio		
	01:45 pm			
	04:30 pm			
Tuesday, July 10	05:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Legion	Sonoma County Rebels
Wednesday, July 11	05:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Legion	B & L Properties
Thursday, July 12	05:30 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Blue	Petaluma Leghorns
Friday, July 13	05:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Legion	Petaluma Leghorn's
Saturday, July 14	11:00 am	NVBC	Napa Legion	Chico Nuts
	02:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Legion	Chico Nuts
Sunday, July 15	11:00 am	NVBC	Napa Legion	Petaluma Leghorn's
	02:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Chico - Red
	05:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Chico - Red
Tuesday, July 17	05:30 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Sonoma County Rebels
Wednesday, July 18	03:30 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Blue	Ukiah Cats
	06:00 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Blue	Ukiah Cats
Thursday, July 19	05:30 pm	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Blue	Sonoma County Rebels
Friday, July 20	05:00 pm	Joe D Regional Tournament		
Saturday, July 21	10:00 am			
	01:00 pm			
	04:30 pm			
Sunday, July 22	10:00 am	Joe D Regional Tournament		
	01:00 pm			
	04:30 pm			
Monday, July 23	05:00 pm			
Monday, July 30	05:00 pm	Field Closed		
Tuesday, July 31	05:00 pm	Field Closed		
Wednesday, August 01	10:00 am	NVBC	Napa Legion	Reno
	01:00 pm			
Thursday, August 02	05:00 pm	Field Closed		
Friday, August 03	10:00 am	Field Closed		
Saturday, August 04	9:00 am	NVBC	Napa Legion	State "A" Tournament
	12:00 pm			
	03:00 pm	continues on Sunday		

MOVIE NIGHT IN GRANT HALL

Fri, July 6 – “Dream Girls”

A new (2006) award-winning musical movie stars Jamie Foxx, Beyonce Knowles, Eddie Murphy and Jennifer Hudson. Musical and dramatic moments make this the best musical film of 2006. A good but not great movie. Hudson won Best Supporting Actress Oscar.



MOVIE SPECIAL

GRANT HALL
Theater doors
open at 5:15 pm
Wednesdays &
Fridays

Special selected
presentations at
5:30 pm

Feature Film
begins at 6:00 pm

The Digital
Theater is
sponsored by the
Veterans
Remembrance
Committee,
The MW&R Fund
and AMVETS



Wed, July 11 – “On The Waterfront”

A 1954 winner of eight Academy Awards including Best Picture and Best Actor. The film stars Marlon Brando, Karl Malden, Lee J Cobb, Rod Steiger, Eva Marie Saint, Leif Erickson and Martin Balsam. Bud Schulberg’s vivid account of N.Y. City harbor unions with Brando as unforgettable misfit and Saint as his girlfriend. Directed by Oscar winner Elia Kazan. Four stars ☆☆☆☆

Fri, July 13 – “The Last King Of Scotland”

A new (2006) film drama stars Forest Whitaker as Ugandan dictator Idi Amin and James McAvoy as a young Scottish doctor. The story tells of the fictional relationship between Amin and the doctor who becomes a close confidant of the dictator. Whitaker won the 2006/07 Best Actor Oscar for his outstanding performance in this four star film. ☆☆☆☆ {Rescheduled from June 15 because of heat problems}



Neil Remnant,
Movie
Coordinator

Wed, July 18 – “The Deep End”

A 2001 thriller stars Tilda Swinton, David Siegel, Gordon Visnjie, Josh Lucas and Peter Donat. A devoted mother thinks her teenage son may be accused of killing a man and proceeds to cover-up the crime. There are surprising twists and turns with fine acting. Three stars ☆☆☆



Fri, July 20 – “Breach”

A new (2006) suspense film stars Chris Cooper and Ryan Phillippe. Based on the true story of infamous traitor Robert Hanssen of the U.S. intelligence/spy community. A young hotshot is assigned to get evidence after Hanssen is first suspected of treason. Well written and acted. An above average film



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